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First Named Inventor: Donald E. Weder

Application Number: 10/687,979 Art Unit: 3644 Examiner: F. Palo

Filed: 10/17/2003

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COVER LETTER REGARDING RENEWED PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(A)

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Re: U.S. Serial No. 10/687,979

Inventor: Donald E. Weder

Filed: 10/17/2003 Docket No. 8404.011

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Renewed Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment for the above-referenced patent application. The Decision on the Petition stated that a copy of the docket sheet from counsel's docketing software was not previously included with the petition filed on February 8, 2005. A copy of counsel's present docketing sheet (dated 3/14/2005) is included herewith for the Senior Petition Attorney's review, and it is evident from the docketing sheet that the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004 was never received.

In addition, the Decision on the Petition stated that while Petitioner requested Express Abandonment of the subject application in favor of a continuing application, a review of Office PALM records failed to identify such continuing application. Therefore, submitted herewith is a copy of the Transmittal Form for Attorney Docket No. 8404.128, filed 02/08/2005, stating that such application is a continuation of USSN 10/687,979. In addition, the return receipt postcard for Attorney Docket No. 8404.128 is also attached, demonstrating that the application was filed on 02/08/2005 (the same date as the Petition in the subject application), and the continuing application was assigned USSN 11/053,288. Since a Filing Receipt has not yet been received for USSN 11/053,288, Applicant's representative respectfully submits that the Transmittal Form and return receipt postcard are sufficient evidence that a continuing application of USSN 10/687,979 has been filed.

Should you have any questions regarding this renewed petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment, or the remarks contained herein, Applicant's agent would welcome the opportunity to discuss such matters with the Senior Petition Attorney.

Very truly yours,

Kathryn L. Hester, Ph.D. Registration No. 46,768

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